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Letter to Philander Chase

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on all such occasions there is but one magic spell
that can cast him out, which is, sound judgment,
courage & temper. There is nothing that subdues
him like firmness & temper. Therefore my dear
Bishop, let us all meet the Devil with firmness
& temper; & he that is stronger than the Devil will always
be on our side. The Archangel kept his temper,
and uttered not a word of railing accusation; and
the ancient Talismans says, that the Devil was struck
dumb, gave up the contest, & departed from the
Archangel in a flash of fire in a twinkling.

[Now let me advert to a subject that I think will
afford you pleasure. When I was at Cambridge
in the month of June, there was created D.D.
with me, the Professor of the ~~the~~ episcopal Theological
Seminary in Edinburgh. I have just recollected that
I have already mentioned this subject in my first
sheet, which was written near 2 months ago.]

But I must tell you that Mr. Ward & my Mary
are just come from London where we had a good
deal of intercourse with the amiable Wiggins, & it

seemed to be a contest between them & Mary
which would devour the other; and I believe they
have succeeded so far on both sides as to carry off
each others hearts. I saw a copy of your letter
to Lord Kington respecting the bounds of your
habitation, which the giver of all good has given; &
your wish that Lord K. & your other friends would
purchase & colonise your 4000 acres. This would
be a most desirable arrangement for your
College, & very advantageous to the settlers that
might occupy the land. And why should we not
form a company of your friends & make the
purchase, & ^{any} ~~all~~ of us that may die rich or can
afford it, may in our wills if we please leave his
portion to the College. Dear old my Mary that I would
purchase 100 acres for her, & that it should be called
the estate of Mary Ohio, & that her House should be called
Philander Hall, I thought she would devour me
with love & joy. Seriously, if you have any wish

that such an arrangement should take place, I wish
you would take the trouble to give us every information
respecting it, for we are quite ignorant of its present
condition or value, or of the prospects pursued usually
to bring your wilderness into fruitful land. My Mary
will trust to you, she says, to choose the prettiest spot
near your self for her future residence; and we
should all be sure of a faithful friend & agent so long
as it ~~may~~ shall please God to spare your life. So pray
let us have all particulars. There are many in this
country, who if they thought they would have a good
penning worth, would readily make the purchase; but
our money market has been in a desperate state
since you left us. We have had so long a continuance
of dry & hot weather that the potatoe & oat crops
entirely failed in Ireland, & a famine is dread
over all that unfortunate country. Our mercantile
community is also in a very low state. But a
great reason to believe that Christ's holy Catholic Church
is in a gradual state of improvement. As the post will
probably convey my letter to you in a shorter time than
the carrier will convey my Box, I will send these sheets

as avant-couriers, to apprise you of its approach, & to assure
 you & your dear Wife & Children that you & your blessed
 cause shall ever hold a warm share of the affections of
 my dear Bishop, your sincere Friend
 W. Ward

Bishop of Ohio

Bishop of Ohio

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I enclose to Dr. Kenyon, & am obliged to divide my letter
 under two envelopes, as they w^d. be above privilege in weight.
 But I hope you will receive them both at the same time
 else the half will appear odd.